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Letter dated 24 September 2002 from the Permanent Observer of the League of Arab States to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

In accordance with Article 54 of the Charter of the United Nations, I have the honour to transmit herewith a letter addressed to you from Mr. Amre Moussa, Secretary-General of the League of Arab States (see annex I). The letter of H.E. Mr. Moussa concerns the letter dated 17 September 2002, addressed to you from the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the States members of the three committees on the "Question of Lockerbie" (African, Arab, Non-Aligned), which was signed by the Ministers at the joint meeting held on 17 September 2002, during the fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly, at the United Nations Headquarters (see annex II).

I should be grateful if you would draw the attention of the members of the Security Council to the present letter and its annexes, and have them circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Yahya **Mahmassani**
Ambassador

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Annex I to the letter dated 24 September 2002 from the Permanent Observer of the League of Arab States to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

[Original: Arabic]

In accordance with League of Arab States resolution 6220 of 5 September 2002 concerning the Lockerbie case, adopted at the one hundred and eighteenth regular session held at the level of Ministers for Foreign Affairs and attached hereto, a joint meeting was held concurrently with the fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly on Tuesday, 17 September 2002 at the level of Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the States members of the committees established for the follow up of the Lockerbie case (the African Committee of Five, the Arab Committee of Seven and the Committee of Six of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries). I have the honour to transmit to you herewith a letter dated 17 September 2002, addressed to you by the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the States members of the African Committee, the Arab Committee and the Committee of the Non-Aligned Movement.

We trust that as President of the Security Council you will make every effort to arrive at a comprehensive and just final settlement of the Lockerbie question and request you to draw the attention of the members of the Security Council to the present letter and its attachment.

(*Signed*) Amre **Moussa**
Secretary-General
League of Arab States

Annex II to the letter dated 24 September 2002 from the Permanent Observer of the League of Arab States to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

[Original: Arabic]

We, the representatives of the States members of the committees concerned with the follow-up of the Lockerbie case, namely the Committee of Five established pursuant to a resolution of the Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity at its meeting held in Addis Ababa on 25 January 1995; the Committee of Six established pursuant to a resolution of the Ministerial Conference of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries held in Cartagena on 20 May 1998; and the Committee of Seven established pursuant to resolution No. 5161, dated 22 March 1992, of the Council of the League of Arab States, met in New York on 17 September 2002 in the presence of representatives of the Organization of the Islamic Conference and the Community of Sahelo-Saharan States and discussed the latest developments in the case. We assert once again our complete satisfaction that the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya has complied fully with the demands of the Security Council contained in its resolutions 731 (1992), 748 (1992), 883 (1993) and 1192 (1998).

It has come to our attention that contacts are currently in progress between the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, the United Kingdom and the United States of America regarding a joint formulation to be submitted to the Security Council with a view to the definitive and total lifting of the sanctions imposed on Libya by the aforementioned resolutions. We hope that you will exert more effort to ensure the cooperation of the Government of the United Kingdom and the Government of the United States of America with the efforts of Libya and a sympathetic response to the sincere wishes expressed by Libya to reach a final solution to this affair in conformity with the positions expressed by the African States and the States members of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries, the League of Arab States, the Organization of the Islamic Conference and the Community of Sahelo-Saharan States.

It is our opinion that Libya's compliance with the Security Council resolutions and its positive and constructive cooperation aimed at arriving at a solution to this matter should be met by the parties concerned with the same degree of positivity and flexibility so that a final and all-inclusive settlement of this matter may be achieved.

Members of the Committee of Five

For Tunisia	For Ghana	For Cameroon	For Uganda	For Zimbabwe
[*Illegible*]	[*Illegible*]	[*Illegible*]	[*Illegible*]	[*Illegible*]

For South Africa/Current Chairman of the Organization of African Unity

[*Illegible*]

Members of the Committee of Six

For South Africa	For Burkina Faso	For Malaysia
[*Illegible*]	[*Illegible*]	[*Illegible*]

For the Lao People's Democratic Republic	For Cuba	For Zimbabwe
[*Illegible*]	[*Illegible*]	[*Illegible*]

Members of the Committee of Seven

For Algeria	For Egypt	For the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	For Mauritania
[*Illegible*]	[*Illegible*]	[*Illegible*]	[*Illegible*]

For Morocco	For the Syrian Arab Republic	For Tunisia
[*Illegible*]	[*Illegible*]	[*Illegible*]